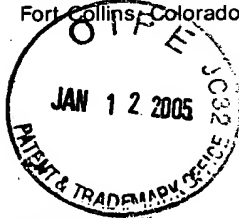


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Title: "Apparatus and Method for Updating Applications to Embedded Devices and Peripherals  
Within a Network Environment"

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) 37 CFR 1.114

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See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Sir:

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**NOTE:** 37 CFR 1.114 is effective on May 20, 2000. If the above- application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under CFR 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

Submission under 37 CFR 1.114

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(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).

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( ) Suspension of action is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months.  
The fee for this Suspension is (37 CFR 1.17(i)) \$130.00

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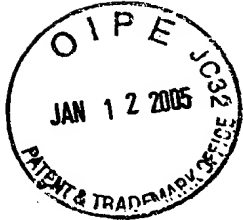
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**Amendment C**

In response to the FINAL Office Action dated August 13, 2004 and the Advisory Action dated December 20, 2004, please amend the above-referenced application as shown below. Further, a request for reconsideration is made herein pursuant to a Request for Continued Examination (RCE).

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.